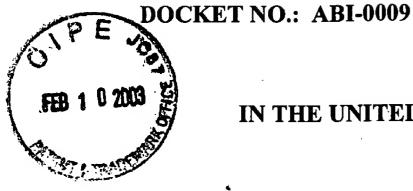
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NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF APPEALS

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Appeals from the Decision of the Primary Examiner mailed October 9, 2002 finally rejecting claims 1-25 and 48-62 of the aboveidentified patent application.

The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

1.	STATUS OF APPLICANT						
		Appli	cant(s) has previously claimed small entity status under 37 CFR §1.27.				
		Applicant(s) by its/their undersigned attorney, claims small entity status under 37 CFR §1.27 as:					
			an Independent Inventor				
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2. EXTENSION OF TIME

The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 CFR § 1.136 apply.

Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 (fees: 37 § CFR 1.17(a)(1)-(4)) for the total number of months checked below:

	SMALL	ENTITY	NOT SMALL ENTITY	
	RATE	FEE	RATE	FEE
ONE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME	\$55	\$	\$110	\$110.00
☐ TWO MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME	\$205	\$	\$410	\$0.00
☐ THREE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME	\$465	\$	\$930	\$0.00
☐ FOUR MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME	\$725	\$	\$1450	\$0.00
☐ FIVE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME	\$985	\$	\$1970	\$0.00
LESS ANY EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID	minus	(\$)	minus	(\$0.00)
NOTICE OF APPEAL	\$160	\$	\$320	\$320.00
TOTAL FEE DUE		\$0		\$430.00

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